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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/019,195 of Hannig, Hans-Jurgen et al. for their "Panel and Panel Fastening System", Filed: June 3, 2002; Our Docket No. 09646/4

### Honorable Commissioner:

Enclosed please find the following:

- 1. Amendment/Provisional Election to the Official Action dated 09/30/2003 (12 pages).
- 2. Our check in the amount of \$180.00 to cover the Information Disclosure Statement. No additional claims fee is believed to be required, as calculated below.
- 3. Our post card. Please date stamp and return.

# Fee Requirements for Claims as Amended

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In the event that Applicant has overlooked the need for any petition for an additional extension of time to file the enclosed papers, petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s).

Please charge any unanticipated fees, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No.: 50-1479 (a duplicate copy of this charge authorization is attached).

Respectfully submitted,

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above-referenced documents for <u>Application Serial No.</u> 10/019,195 are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop: FEE AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, , on this date.

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# AMENDMENT, PROVISIONAL ELECTION AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

### Honorable Commissioner:

This provisional election and amendment is being timely submitted in response to paper number 11, the Examiner's Election/Restriction Requirement mailed 09/30/2003. consider the following remarks and provisional election.

### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification, as noted on the pages that follow.

On page 1--amend the first paragraph and delete paragraphs 2-5 and the carryover paragraph to page 2.

On page 2--delete paragraphs 1-3 and add six new paragraphs before the fourth full paragraph (line 20).

On page 4--delete the first full paragraph.

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 10-20, amend claims 1, 5, 7, and 8, and add claims 21-30, as noted on the pages that follow.